

# Cuk converter

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## Motivation

- Synthesize a DC-DC circuit that can increase/decrease  $V/p$  voltage.
- Both  $V/p$  &  $i/p$  currents non-pulsating or continuous.

Buck / Boost / Buck-boost

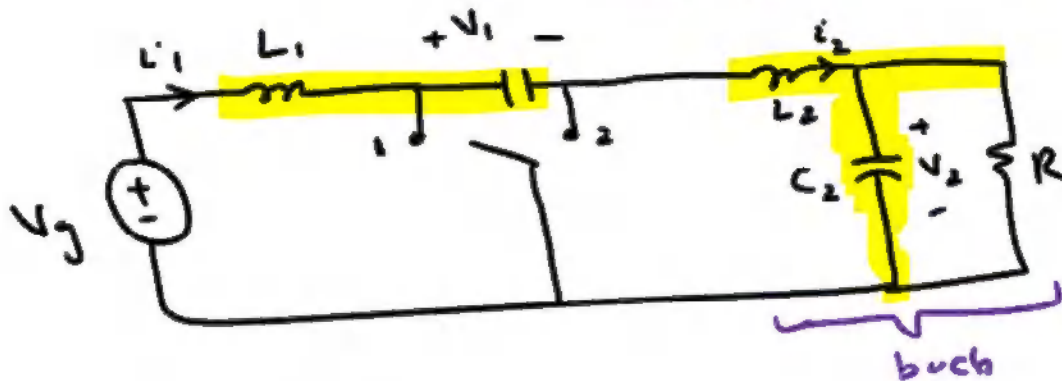
Gain of buck-boost = gain of buck  $\times$  gain of boost

$$\frac{D}{D'} = \underbrace{\left( D \right) \left( \frac{1}{D'} \right)}_{\text{concatenated design}}$$

Cuk converter

$\hookrightarrow$   $V/p$  stage = Boost

$\hookrightarrow$   $i/p$  , = Buck



At position #1



$$V_{L1} = V_g \quad \text{KVL}$$

$$V_{L2} = -V_1 - V_2 \quad \text{KVL}$$

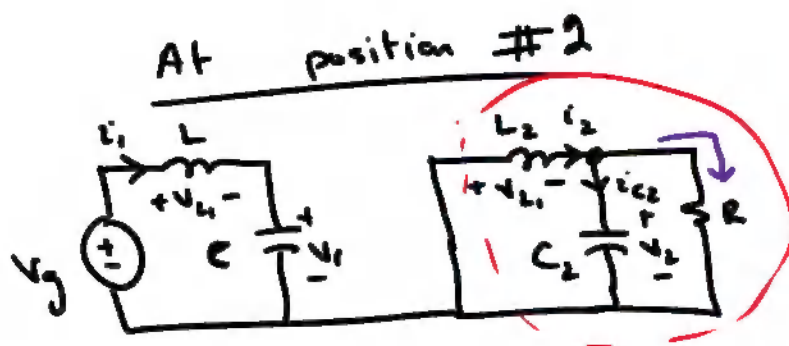
$$i_{C1} = i_2 \quad \text{KCL}$$

$$\rightarrow i_{C2} = i_2 - \frac{V_2}{R} \quad \text{KCL}$$

small ripple approximation

$$V_{L1} = V_g$$

$$\underline{V_{L2} = -V_1 - V_2}$$



$$V_{L2} = -V_1 - V_2$$

$$i_{C1} = I_2$$

$$i_{C2} = I_2 - \frac{V_L}{R}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} V_{L1} &= V_g - V_1 \\ V_{L2} &= -V_2 \end{aligned} \right\} \text{KVL}$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} i_{C1} &= i_1 \\ i_{C2} &= i_2 - \frac{V_L}{R} \end{aligned} \right\} \text{KCL}$$

Small ripple approximation

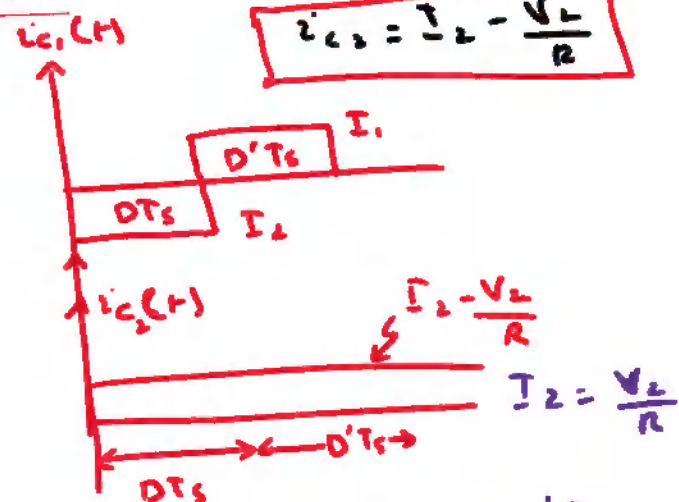
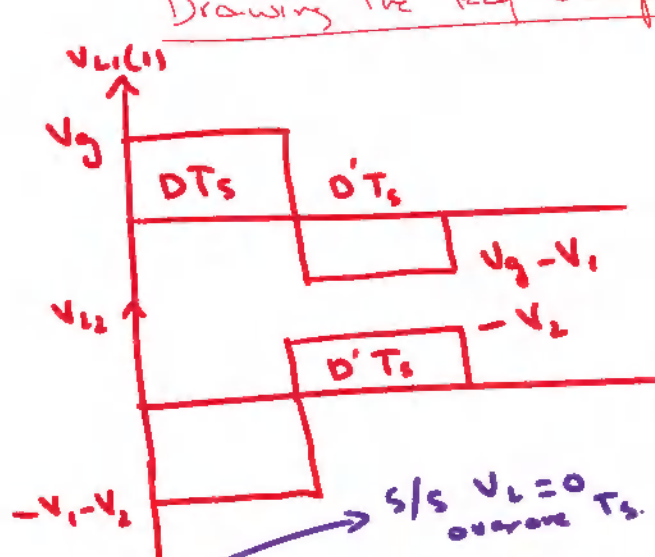
$$V_{L1} = V_g - V_1$$

$$V_{L2} = -V_2$$

$$i_{C1} = I_1$$

$$i_{C2} = I_2 - \frac{V_L}{R}$$

Drawing the key waveforms



$$\langle V_{L1} \rangle = 0 = V_g D + D' (V_g - V_1)$$

$$= V_g / D'$$

$$\langle V_{L2} \rangle = 0 = D (-V_1 - V_2) + D' (-V_2)$$

$$V_2 = \frac{-D}{D'} V_g \quad \text{--- (A)}$$

$$\langle i_{C1} \rangle = 0 = D I_2 + D' I_1$$

$$I_1 = \left( \frac{-D}{D'} \right) I_2 = \frac{-D}{D'} \frac{V_L}{R}$$

$$= \left( \frac{D}{D'} \right)^2 \frac{V_g}{R}$$

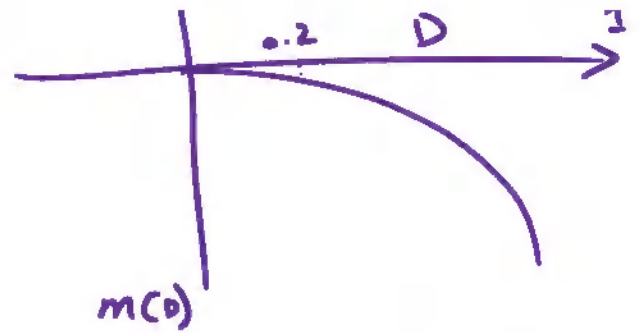
$$\langle i_{C2} \rangle = I_2 - \frac{V_L}{R} = 0$$

$$I_2 = \frac{V_L}{R}$$

$$M(D) = \frac{V_2}{V_g} = \frac{-D}{D'} = \frac{-D}{1-D}$$

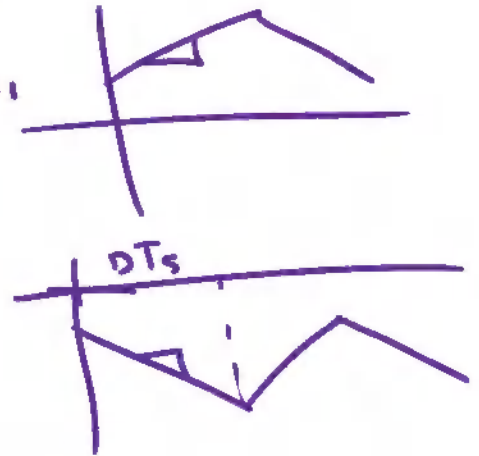


for  $V_g$   $D > 0.5$   $V_2 > V_g$   
 $D < 0.5$   $V_2 < V_g$   
 $D = 0.5$   $V_2 = V_g$



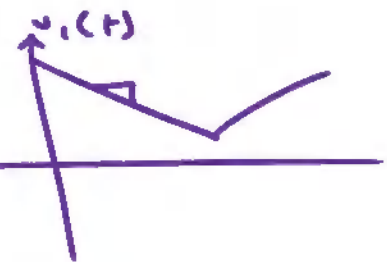
$L_1$  Expression based on  $i_{L1}$

$$L_1 = \frac{V_g}{2 \Delta i_1} DT_s$$



$L_2$  expression

$$L_2 = \frac{V_1 + V_2}{2 \Delta i_2} DT_s$$

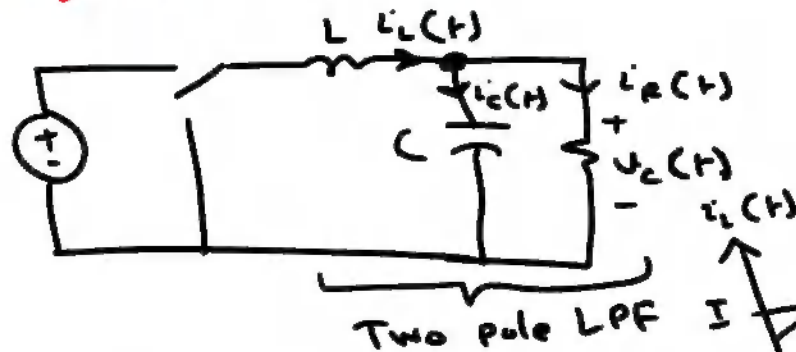


$C_1$  expression

$$C_1 = \frac{I_2}{2 \Delta v_1} DT_s$$

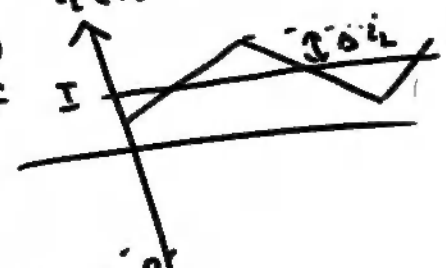
how to determine the  $C_2$ .

→  $i_{C2}(t)$  is continuous.



$$i_L(t) = I + \Delta i_L$$

—  $\Delta i_L$  through  $R$



$$i_L(t) = \dots$$

DC component I can only flow through R  
 b/c  $X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi fC} = \infty$  so I can't flow through C.



In a well designed converter

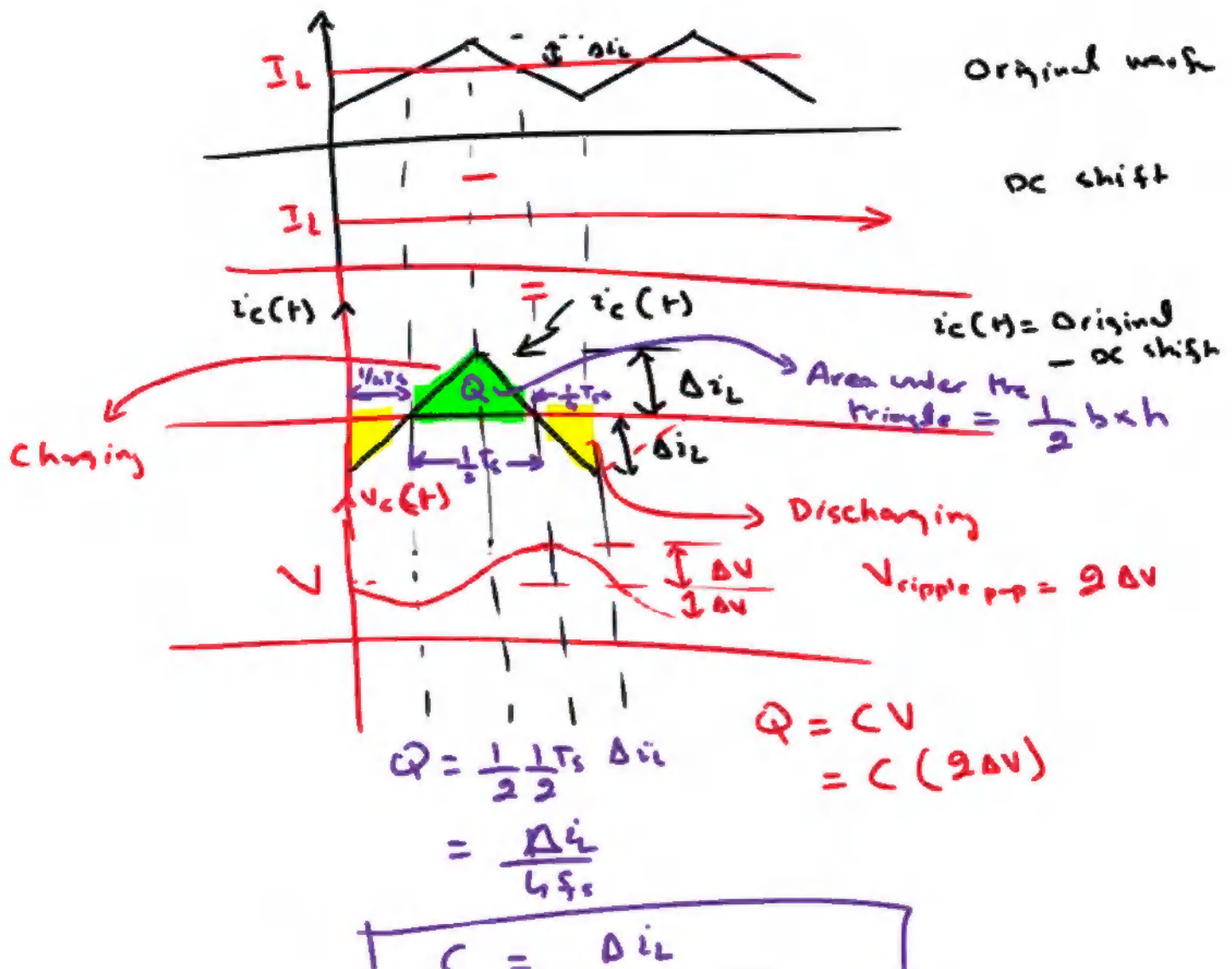
$$\text{if } Z_C > R \\ Z_C < R$$

$$X_C \ll R$$

To ensure this

$$C \text{ is kept large } X_C = \frac{1}{2\pi fC}$$

ideally all  $\Delta i_L$  flows through 'C'

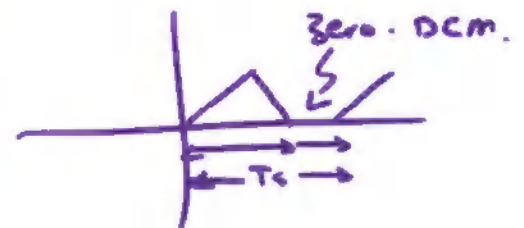


$$C = \frac{\Delta i_L}{8 f_s \Delta V}$$

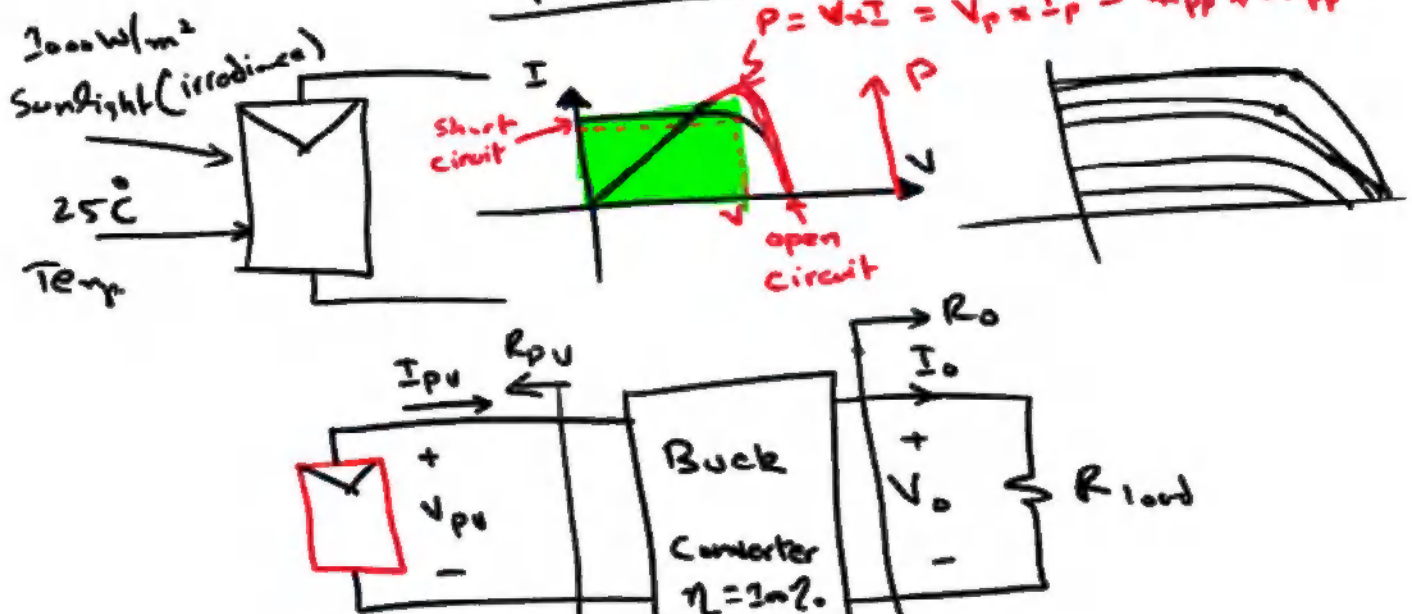
### Discussion

- 1) All DC-DC are non-linear.  
 ↳ subcircuits are linear [first order] [2nd order]  
 but high freq switching changes their structure & its periodic structural change make the converter itself a non-linear circuit.

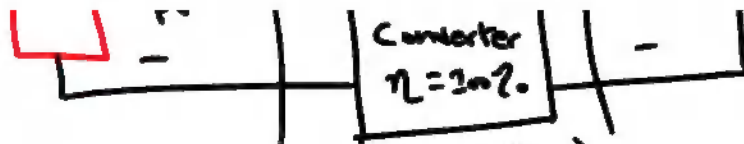
→ Add converter,  $i_L > 0$  so this is called continuous conduction mode (CCM).



### Application of basic converter in photovoltaic system.

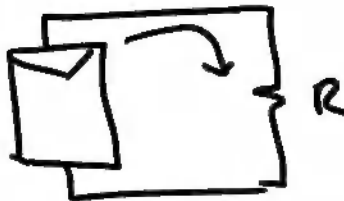
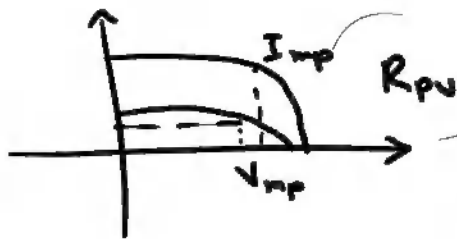






$$\begin{aligned} V_o &= D V_{in} \\ V_o &= D V_{pv} \\ P_{in} &= P_o \quad I_o = I_{pv}/D \end{aligned}$$

$$R_{pv} = \frac{V_{pv}}{I_{pv}} = \frac{V_o/D}{I_o D} = \frac{V_o}{I_o D^2} = \frac{R_o}{D^2} = \frac{R_{load}}{D^2}$$



$$R = R_{pv}$$

$$R_{pv} = \frac{R_{load}}{D^2}$$

if  $D = 1$   
 $D = 0$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{pv} &= R_{load} \\ R_{pv} &= \infty \end{aligned}$$

if  $R_{load} > R_{pv}$

buck converter can't match the impedance & hence can't transfer the MPP or it can't track mppt.

